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BALANCED … NEWS

## Smashing time with Beckham for Payatas kids

By Cedelf P. Tupas
Sports

OVER the past few months, Ricardo Ocampo Jr. has looked forward to playing football during weekends on a concrete basketball court in Payatas, Quezon City.

Yesterday would prove extra special for the Payatas Elementary School sixth-grader and other Filipino kids as they mingled and played with their football idols—David Beckham and the rest of the Los Angeles Galaxy—who gave a clinic on the Rizal Memorial Stadium pitch.

"I was nervous, I might make mistakes,"

SMASHING A6



HIGH FIVES Los Angeles Galaxy's David Beckham high-fives with a child during a "football clinic" at Rizal Memorial Stadium in Manila on Friday. Major League Soccer champion LA Galaxy is visiting Manila for three days as part of their Asian tour and will play against the Philippine Azkals tonight.

# Noy hits high court anew

## 'What did GMA do to merit such speedy relief?'

By Norman Bordadora and Jerome Aning

PRESIDENT Aquino questioned on Thursday night the Supreme Court's impartiality, pointing out how it quickly ruled in favor of former President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo by issuing a temporary restraining order (TRO) on her inclusion in the immigration bureau's watch list.

Speaking before the Makati Business Club on the occasion of its 30th anniversary, the President also assailed the Supreme Court for its reversal of decisions that, he said, made the job

NOY HITS A10



MERRY CHRISTMAS? Tension is writ all over the faces of the five accused in the killing of former PC Colonel and Reco Marie Vice Gov. Rolando Abadilla as they await the promulgation of the case by Judge Jaime Salazar on Aug. 11, 1999, in Quezon City. The judge found the five guilty but they have steadfastly professed innocence.

## Abadilla 5's fate now up to P-Noy

By Miko Morelos

ONE STROKE of the presidential pen, and their nearly two-decade-long ordeal will be over.

The Board of Pardons and Parole (BPP) has recommended to President Aquino the commutation of the life sentences meted out to the so-called "Abadilla 5" for the assassination of a dread-ed martial law enforcer, a fitting end to their struggle to sustain their plea of innocence, according to the chief public defender.

The recommendation, which the BPP transmitted to the Office of the President last September, sought to have the life sentences of Lenido Lumanog, Cesar Fortuna, Joel de Jesus, Rameses de Jesus and Augusto Santos reduced to 16 years each, explained chief public attorney Persida Rueda-Acosta.

When you factor in the credits the five have earned for good behavior, the sentences could be considered as having been served, said Acosta.

"Right now, what is impor-

ABADILLA A6

## Comelec asked: What about Abalos?

By Christian V. Esguerra and Jerome Aning

WHY DOES the Commission on Elections seem to be dragging its feet in filing an electoral sabotage case against its former chair, Benjamin Abalos Sr.?

Sen. Koko Pimentel, who heads the Senate committee on electoral reforms, yesterday questioned the delay, noting that a joint Comelec and Department of Justice panel had recommended the filing of charges against Abalos about two weeks ago.

By contrast, he said the Comelec acted on the same recommendation in the case of former President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, filing electoral sabotage charges against the Pampanga congresswoman within a day of receiving the panel's recommendation.

COMELEC A8

## Gov't to pay for GMA detention at Veterans

By DJ Yap and Nancy C. Carvajal

THE GOVERNMENT will pick up the tab for Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo's detention in the presidential suite of Veterans Memorial Medical Center (VMMC) in Quezon City.

"[It's based on the] court order, so the government will foot the bill," Interior Secretary Jesse Robredo said yesterday. He said he still had no idea of how much the government would spend, but added it would at least not be as much as the reported cost of Arroyo's suite—P50,000 a day, excluding medical bills—at St. Luke's

GOVERNMENT A8



BURMA prodemocracy leader Aung San Suu Kyi (right) and US Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton embrace during a meeting at Suu Kyi's residence in Rangoon on Friday.

## Clinton, Suu Kyi vow democracy for Burma

RANGOON, Burma—US Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton and Burma's opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi, two of the world's most prominent female leaders, pledged Friday to work together to bring democracy to Suu Kyi's long isolated and repressive nation.

Wrapping up a historic three-day visit to the country officially called Myanmar, Clinton held hands with Suu Kyi on the porch of the Nobel Peace Prize laureate's lakeside home where she spent much of the past two decades under house arrest and thanked her for her "steadfast and very clear leadership."

CLINTON A11



## Tech a threat to Santa Claus

NEW YORK—Kids can video chat with Santa, follow him on Twitter or enlist Norad to track his every move online. And yet in many ways, technology may be making it harder for parents to keep their children believing in the jolly old elf.

At nearly every turn, the Internet threatens to blow the fat man's cover.

Practically any schoolchild can type "Is Santa real?" into Google. And just a few clicks can bring youngsters to websites that sell customized letters from the North Pole or offer advice on how Mom

TECHNOLOGY A11

# Second FrontPage

WITH UMRA KATO DEAD

# New chiefs for Moro renegades



WAITING FOR RELIEF

By Edwin Fernandez, Ryan Rosauro and Jeoffrey Maitem
Inquirer Mindanao

COTABATO CITY—The Bangsamoro Islamic Freedom Movement (BIFM), a Muslim rebel group which broke away from the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF), is now headed by a "rotating" leadership after the reported death of its founder, Ameril Umra Kato, a ranking MILF official said yesterday.



UMRA KATO

## 6 long weekends in 2012

SAVING DRUG MULE

## We should not lose hope—Binay

By Jerry E. Esplanada

## Gov't urged to stop soldiers from using schools as barracks

By TJ Burgonio

## Simple Army rites for reservist Lt. Col. Manny Pacquiao

By Dona Z. Pazzibugan

# No valuation yet of Luisita land—DAR

## Morales still critical






# NASAAN NGA BA ANG HUSTISYA?

*Sagot ni Ginoong Eduardo M. Cojuangco, Jr. sa bukas na liham ng mga naninindigan na sila ang may-ari ng coco levy funds*

Upang mapanatili ang kaayusan sa ating lipunan, mayroon po tayong mga batas na dapat pinapatupad at sinusunod.

Noong 1986, ipinatupad ang Executive Order No. 1 na nagsasaad: "WHEREAS, vast resources of the government have been amassed by former President Ferdinand E. Marcos, his immediate family, relatives, and close associates both here and abroad."

Ipinag-utos nito ang paghabol sa dating Pangulong Ferdinand Marcos, sa kanyang pamilya, mga kaanak, at mga malalapit na kaibigan, na pinaniniwalaang nagnakaw ng mga pag-aari ng bansa sa panahon ng panunungkulan nito.

Sa paniwalang ang shares sa San Miguel Corporation (SMC) na nasa aking pag-aari ay bahagi ng mga tinatawag na "ill-gotten wealth", ako at ang mga kumpanyang aking pagmamay-ari ay sinampahan ng kaso (Civil Case 0033) noong Hulyo 31, 1987 upang tuluyan nang mapasakamay ng gobyerno ang mga naturang shares.

Hayaan nyo pong isalaysay ko sa inyo kung papaano talaga nabili ang mga shares na ito.

Ang mga SMC shares ay pagmamay-ari noon ng Ayala Corporation at iba pa, sa ilalim ni Enrique Zobel. Nang mag-desisyon ang kumpanya na ibenta ang mga shares noong 1983 ay inalok po ito sa akin at binili sa halagang higit pa sa P22 per share, mas mataas sa umiiral na presyo noon sa stock market. Sa kabuuan, ang halaga ng mga shares ay umaabot sa 49 milyong dolyares.

Katulad ng aking naipaliwanag, ang pinambili ng SMC shares ay hiniram mula sa iba't ibang mga pinagkautangan, kasama ang UCPB, at hindi sa Coconut Industry Investment Fund (CIIF), salungat sa pilit na iginigiit ng ilan.

Nais ko rin pong sabihin muli sa pagkakataong ito na ang perang pinahihiram o ipinauutang ng bangko ay nanggagaling sa kabuuan ng mga depositors na nag-iimpok dito o karamihan sa depositong pangkomersyo. At ayon po sa ating batas, ang perang inutang o hiniram mula sa bangko, ay nagiging pagmamay-ari na ng nanghiram. Ang tanging obligasyon ng humiram ay mabayaran ang UCPB sa halagang inutang.

Sa kasong isinampa ng Office of the Solicitor General (OSG) at Presidential Commission on Good Government (PCGG) noong 1987, ipinilit nila na pondo ng CIIF ang ginamit sa pagbili ng SMC shares.

Matapos po ang maraming taon ng paglilitis ay kinatigan ako ng Sandiganbayan, at makalipas ang higit-kumulang na 24 taon, ang Korte Suprema ay naglabas ng desisyon na sumang-ayon at nagsaad na walang katibayan na ang SMC shares ay binayaran mula sa pera o pondo na galing sa CIIF kaya tuluyang pinawalang-halaga ang demanda ng PCGG at OSG.

Matagal na pong nabayaran ng buo ang pagkakautang sa UCPB, na magmula noon, at hanggang ngayon, ay nasa ilalim ng pamamahala ng PCGG. Sa kalaunan, bago pa man magbaba ng desisyon ang hukuman hinggil sa mga kaso, ay inamin mismo ng PCGG at OSG na hiniram nga sa UCPB ang perang pinambayad sa SMC shares.

Ngunit ang hindi ko po maintindihan, ay kung bakit maliban sa buong kabayaran sa halagang hiniram ay gusto pa nilang makuha ang SMC shares na kanilang pinag-aalinlanganan. Simple lamang po ang dahilan na aking nakikita. Simula po ng aming pamamahala sa San Miguel, higit na malaki na ang itinaas ng halaga ng SMC shares, kumpara sa presyo noong una itong binili. Ito po ang buong katotohanan.

Marami na po ang bumatikos sa desisyon ng Supreme Court, na nagsabi ring walang ebidensyang naipakita ang OSG at PCGG na ako ay isang "close associate" ng dating Pangulong Marcos. Ngunit ang hindi po napagtutuunan ng pansin ay ang ibig sabihin ng "close associate" sa kasong ito. Hindi po ito nangangahulugang kakilala o malapit na kaibigan lamang, kundi "close associate" o kasama sa pagkamal ng mga government assets na napapasailalim sa Executive Order No. 1.

Sa puntong ito, nais kong bigyang-diin na walang anumang partisipasyon ang dating pangulong Marcos sa pagbili ko ng San Miguel shares. Yun lamang, nakalulungkot na ang dissenting opinion ni Justice Morales ay nagdulot ng pag-aagam-agam sa marami.

Sa pagtatapos, nais ko pong sabihin, at para na rin sa kaalaman ng media, na may 31% ng San Miguel Corporation ang nabili sa ilalim ng aking pamamahala ng CIIF para sa kapakanan ng mga coconut farmers, kasama na rin ang UCPB, oil mills at Cocochem na hanggang ngayon ay pag-aari ng CIIF.

Ang isyu po dito ay kung ang naturang mga shares sa San Miguel, UCPB, oil mills at Cocochem ay pagmamay-ari ng gobyerno o ng coconut farmers. Ang resolusyon po ay nakasalalay sa kung idedeklarang public o private funds ng coconut farmers ang CIIF.

Ang CIIF ay matagal ko ng sinasabi na hindi ko pag-aari. Ito ay nalalaan para sa mga coconut farmers na siyang tinutukoy na benepisyaryo.

Para sa kaalaman ng mga coconut farmers, ang mga SMC shares ng CIIF ay tuluyang kumikita ng cash dividends na nakadeposito sa UCPB. Ang halaga ng nakadeposito mula 1986 ay umaabot na ng humigit kumulang na P17.5 bilyong piso base sa mga dibidendong dineklara ng SMC. Para sa mga kumukuwestiyon sa naturang SMC stocks, dapat lamang na tanungin nila ang PCGG kung bakit hindi ito inilalabas ng bangko para sa kanilang kapakanan.

Ang masakit rito ay nananatiling sa akin pa rin naka-umang ang pagbabatikos ng mga nagdudunung-dunungan sa kabila ng pasya ng mga korte. Anumang hatol ng hukuman — mula sa mababa hanggang sa kataas-taasang Hukuman - ay pinagtitibay ng batas base sa mga katibayang nahain.

**Huwag sana tayong maging bulag sa katotohanan at sa batas na siyang dapat umiiral sa ating lipunan.**

# NTC failed to collect P5.7B in fees—COA

By Leila B. Salaverria

# SBMA top posts merged





# Smashing time with Beckham for Payatas kids



LOS ANGELES Galaxy's David Beckham lifts a child during a coaching clinic at Rizal Memorial Stadium on Friday.

## Happy boy

## Great experience

## Dream come true

## Chasing the dream

## Former street children

## Responsibility, respect

## Happy, inspiring place

## Beckham wants to play for England again

# American fugitive deported

THE BUREAU of Immigration (BI) yesterday said yesterday it had deported an American wanted for trafficking and possession of illegal drugs by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

Immigration Commissioner Ricardo David Jr. said Paul John Zimbalist, 35, was flown back to the US on board a Philippine Airlines flight to Los Angeles, following the issuance of a summary deportation order by the BI board of commissioners.

David, in a statement, said the board also ordered Zimbalist's inclusion in the immigration blacklist for being an undesirable, overstaying and undocumented alien.

The BI fugitive search unit headed by Van Dary Sabado arrested Zimbalist at his unit at the Paseo Parkview condominium on Valero Street in Salcedo Village, Makati City on Nov. 17.

Zimbalist had been on the wanted list of the FBI since 2007 as a result of arrest warrants issued by courts in Arizona and Florida, Sabado said.

The US Embassy in Manila said an Arizona court had issued a warrant for his arrest for violating the conditions of his probation.





# Abadilla 5's fate now up to P-Noy

### Ecstatic over Christmas

### Liberty over innocence

### Families' appeal

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# Comelec asked: What about Abalos?

### Protecting their own?

### It's complicated



ABALOS



BRILLANTES

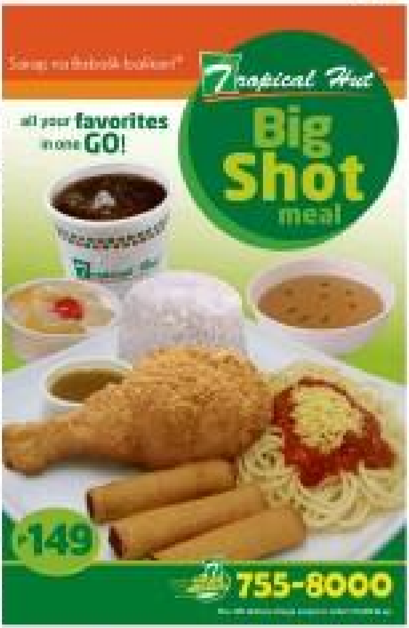


PIMENTEL

### Cheating order given

### 'Airtight' case vs GMA

# Thousands of OFWs won't leave Syria, DFA laments









# 67 Pinoys granted Aussie scholarships




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# Noy hits Supreme Court anew

# Palace: GMA camp refuses to divulge 'Oplan Little Girl' source

# Government to pay for GMA detention at Veterans



# Technology a threat to Santa Claus



### Keeping the secret

### "Is Santa real?"

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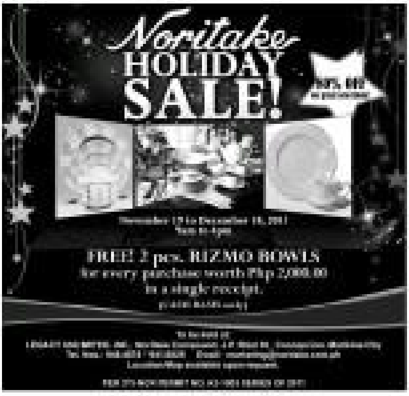
### Serious worries

### Modest steps

### Political prisoners

### Tough sanctions









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GET REAL



*Solita Collas-Monsod*

# Reject the reduction of the poverty line!

SOCIAL CLIMATE



*Mahar Mangahas*

# SUCs and budget cuts

COMMENTARY

*Ching Jorge*

# RATE's not-so-gentle reminder

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*Ricardo J. Romulo*

We do not cease to be obliged to pay the right amount of taxes due because we know the ins and outs of the tax system

# A 10-year-old story

YOUNG BLOOD

*Rachelle Bascara*

NOTICE TO YOUNGBLOOD CONTRIBUTORS

THEY SAID

Unquestionable victory

Not surprising

# Until reversed, SC rulings binding on gov't branches

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## Is Miriam paying back Gloria for past favors?

## Double standard at checkpoints noted

## Fit to be president for being so humane

## Leave the ficus trees along Edsa alone!

## Alcala should run after corn hoarders



INQUIRER Visayas

# Cebu streets keep revolution alive

By Jason A. Bagan
Cebu City

CALL them memory lanes or revolution streets. Many streets here keep the memory of Andres Bonifacio and his underground group Kataastaasan, Kagalang-galangan, Katipunan ng mga Anak ng Bayan (KKK) alive 115 years since the revolutionary hero and his group of insurgents fought armed battles to remove Spanish colonial rule in the Philippines in 1896.

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THE AVENUE named after Gen. Arcadio Maxilom is home to several establishments including schools and bars in uptown Cebu City. Maxilom was the last Katipunero general in Cebu to surrender to American forces.



TRES de Abril marker

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# PH intelligent bus system wins gold in London invention show

By Cris Evert B. Lato
Cebu City

RODEL de Guzman was driving with his father in Quirino Highway in Quezon City when a bus in front of him suddenly stopped to pick up passengers.

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## Traffic management

[illegible]

## Bus doors control

[illegible]

## Real mission

[illegible]



ELMA Arboleras, filmmaker and inventor, answers the question of one of the judges about the intelligent bus utility system (IBUS), her solution to the country's road congestion, during the 11th British Invention Show in London in October. The IBUS won a gold medal in the consumer category.

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# Across the NATION

# Solon faces trial for overpriced PCs

THE OMBUDSMAN has approved the filing of graft charges against Lapu-Lapu Rep. Arturo Radaza and 19 others for the purchase of allegedly overpriced, inferior personal computers worth P23.5 million six years ago.



TERRACE ART

## Canneries shed jobs as sardines ban starts

### Street job

### Limited ban

## Tension in Imus eases as mayor's men end vigil

## 18 of 180 Iloilo villages suffer from water shortage

## Solon urges bridges check

## At Clark conference, an appeal to understand Badjaos



**High-flying Lady Eagles take on Lady Archers**

# SPORTS

# Azkals' dream match with Galaxy today

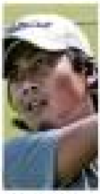
## Filipinos face their idols



### Beckham contractually obliged

### Key players missing

# Juvic pulls away in Asian OOM race

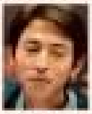


PAGUNSAN

# Superior rivals send Tanpoco, Nguyen packing

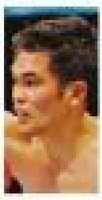
# *Corteza-Yang billiards face-off gets going*

By Marc Anthony Reyes





# Viloria fights for world title and more



# Athletics romp powers Manila bets in Batang Pinoy NCR leg

# Orcollo is king of pool world



MERALCO playmaker Sol Mercado tries to work his way past Powerade big man Doug Kramer.

# Gin Kings snap Boosters streak

# SSC coach files charges vs Red Lions after brawl

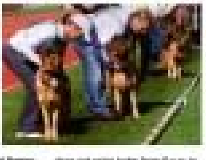
By Jasmine W. Payo

## 'All-Filipino' PCA Open starts

By Marc Anthony Reyes

## W. Wack President's Cup tees off

## GSDF German Shepherds tilt on





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# Janelle affidavit 'confirms family rift'

## Lawyers cite client's claims that Ramgen was strict, used force

AS THE ELDEST in a brood of nine, Ramgen Bautista kept his siblings in check and sometimes got physical to make sure they toed the line.

### Disciplinarian

### Recollection






# NBI agents in kidnap-for-ransom case?

ON TARGET



# 12 dribblers face raps for mauling ex-TV actor in QC

# This 'yellow' traffic enforcer sees red when shown color of money

TALES OF THE CITY



# Lim appeals to P-Noy on telecom firm's tax

# Major repair work on Metro roads ongoing until Monday

## METROBRIEFS

### Reflectorized vests for motorbike riders

### West Tower residents, FPIC check rehab work

# The WORLD

# UN: Syria has entered a state of civil war with 4,000 people dead

BEIRUT—Syria has entered a state of civil war with more than 4,000 people dead and an increasing number of soldiers defecting from the Army to fight President Bashar Assad's regime, the United Nations' top human rights official has said.

# Belgium forms gov't after 18-month limbo

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### Afghan rape victim freed but to marry attacker

### Muslim Brotherhood keeps distance from Salafis

### Names for 2 new elements on periodic table

# West tightens Iran sanctions after attack on UK Embassy


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# BUSINESS

# SM group eyes Mactan airport property

## Offers help in transfer of facility to new site

CEBU CITY—Taipan Henry Sy has offered to buy the 300-hectare property in Lapu-Lapu City where the present Mactan Cebu International Airport (MCIA) is located.

SM GROUP B2

## Napocor seeks rate increase in off-grid areas

NAPOCOR B2

## INDICATORS

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43.270



**STOCK MARKET**

0.33



### Stocks end slightly higher

# PNB, Allied Bank merger seen happening in 2012

## Tan group gets clearance from US regulators

## Top Frontier raises ₱1B from sale of San Miguel shares

## Sy firm renews power supplier license

## SM group eyes Mactan

## Napocor seeks rate hike

## Stocks end slightly higher

## Philippine Stock Exchange

## Currencies

# Gov't pours ₱2.85B into road projects in ARMM

## Globe, Apple exclusivity deal ends; Smart offers iPhone 4S



IPHONE 4S



# Subsidy to state firms doubled in Oct.

## Landbank was top recipient

# Cummins gets ERC approval to run power plant



# Digitel raising capital stock to ₱25B

# PH has enough liquidity to support growth, says BSP

# DBP gets World Bank loan worth $50M for relending

# Aboitiz to transfer power barges to Mindanao

## Company to head off power supply crunch on the island in '12

## ALI to put up 5-tower condo in Cebu

### Market appetite

### Key elements

### More projects



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# PROPERTY

Editor: Cesar D. Manganong



AXIS Residences lies in the center of the three major business districts: Makati CBD, Ortigas Business District and Bonifacio Global City.

# Affordable condos gain foothold in metro

By Tessa R. Salazar

WILL WE see more condominiums than house and lots in 2012? What specific locations would condominiums gain a dominant foothold at? Property analysts believe condos will take over the metropolitan area, while subdivisions will stake their claim in the provinces.

Colliers' International claims it has been observing this trend for some time now.

Paul Vincent Chua, associate director for valuation and advisory services and head of consultancy and research of Colliers International, a leading global real estate services company, says his team had noticed since 2009 the abundance of affordable, smaller condominium units with stretched payment terms; their growth fueled primarily by the BPO industry, which has spurred the demand for condominium housing in Metro Manila.

"However, the traditional house and lot remains to be preferred, as expected, in provincial cities. Only in key cities are condominiums being preferred over house and lot developments. These are, mainly, Metro Manila, Cebu and Davao. We also saw a decline in HLURB [Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board] licenses to sell for horizontal developments, and a huge increase for vertical developments. It won't take long until we see former bedroom communities accept condo living as a substitute," Chua says.



SMDC sold the most number of residential condominium units and reached highest sales volumes during the first half of 2011.

Enrique Soriano, professor at the Ateneo Graduate School of Business and senior adviser to Wong+Bernstein Business Advisory, says this particular trend will likely be sustained in 2012. Just last week, Soriano called the condominium takeover in the metropolis a "condo-minification frenzy" of mid-income condominium developments.

This trend (vertical developments in key cities), he added, would also be likely seen in Iloilo, Bacolod and Cagayan de Oro as well as leisure destinations like Boracay and Baguio City.

Alejandro G. Mabalay, National Real Estate Association chair, says subdivisions and housing, especially those targeting first-home buyers, will always enjoy high demand as long as friendly financing continues to be available.

"In fact, that is where the real shortage is. Affordable, family-oriented condominiums will also be very popular next year. You will be seeing a lot of these types of developments in Quezon City and in the fringes of CBDs next year. The good thing about this is that buyers of these types of projects are end-users," Mabalay explains.

## Leading condo developers

Four months ago, property giant Ayala Land Inc., through its Avida Land, launched its first mid-rise condominium in Angeles City called the Alegaro Residences. Last month, ALI announced its foray to vertical developments through Amaia's condominium projects with prices ranging from P1.1 to P1.3 million per unit.

Robinsons Land and Federal Land also recently launched the Axis Residences, 150 meters away from the MRT Boni Avenue station. Located on Pioneer Street in Mandaluyong City, Axis Residences stands within the compound of Robinsons Forum (Pioneer Mall) and Robinsons Gateway Residential and Office Condominium Complex. Located not only near a mass-transit system, it lies in the center of the three major business districts: Makati CBD, Ortigas Business District and Bonifacio Global City.

For its part, Megaworld subsidiary Empire East's mid-income projects include Pioneer Woodlands, which stands just across the Boni MRT Station, and the San Lorenzo Place, at the corner of Chino Roces Avenue and Edsa, just beside the Magallanes MRT station. The Little Baguio Terraces in Greenhills, New Manila offers convenient access to the MRT/LRT for residents to gain easy access to any point in the metro. Megaworld also launched Manhattan Garden City in Araneta Center in 2006.

On Sept. 30, SM Development Corp. announced in its website that it has sold the most number of Metro Manila residential condominium units and reached highest sales volumes during the first half of 2011.

Other leading developers of affordable condominiums have been DMCI, which showcases natural lighting and ventilation in its projects, Phinma, which boasts some of the most reasonably priced units between Bacoor and Alabang, and First Homes, which is offering the Aurora Heights at the LRT terminal in Quezon City in a relatively low-pollution environment.

# SCIENCE/HEALTH

# Healthy noche buena fare a mouse click, a call away

By Tessa R. Salazar





A HEALTHY, alternative food fare for the holiday season is now more accessible because of the Internet and other social networking sites.

## Now more accessible

## Child-friendly

# Family planning and the dignity of human life

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## More difficult to solve

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# Messages about heart disease prevention universal

By Charles E. Buban



FOR THE FIRST time, Belleville's group was invited to perform in Italy, its first outside the Philippines.

## For public to listen

## Deliver the message

# Homebuyers urged to take right step with Amaia Nova

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# Super LifeStyle

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## Your Super guide to doing good

**We're kicking off our holiday specials not with a list of gifts you can buy but with the many different ways you can change world during the holidays and after**

# Accidental water warrior

THE ADVENT of sporting events for a cause comes as a refreshing welcome to our social calendars. In the recent years, weekends have been peppered with runs, tournaments, and adventure races that would benefit development projects. It's a win-win deal: people get to have fun and worthy projects are empowered.

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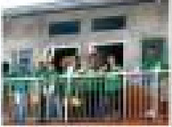
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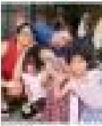


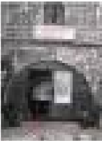

# I build meaningful holidays





# My mother's legacy

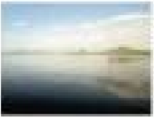


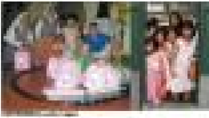




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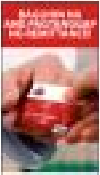













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# Famous and making a difference

By Nino Mark M. Sabio
Contributor

CELEBRITIES have the enviable power to make people listen, move them to action—and make a difference. Here are two personalities who are using their celebrity status to help the less fortunate and convince other people to follow suit.



## DAPHNE OSEÑA-PAEZ

THIS talented and busy TV host is producer, businesswoman, and mother of three makes time to help the less fortunate as United Nations Children's Fund (Unicef) Special Advocate for Children and as a supporter of the Hero Foundation.

**How did you end up supporting Unicef and the Hero Foundation?**

Two years ago, Unicef invited me to join them and appointed me as Unicef Special Advocate for Children, focusing on maternal health and infant mortality. Now I also participate in programs on nutrition, severe acute malnutrition and education—basically anything that involves the rights and safety of children. As a mother of three, issues about children are closest to my heart. I come from background in international development in Canada and it is my desire to be involved with long-term community-based programs rather than merely supporting charity.

Hero Foundation approached me a couple of years ago to help raise funds and awareness for their scholarship programs. Hero Foundation sponsors children of men and women who died in the line of military service. As a daughter of an Air Force veteran and having spent my childhood in Nichols Air Base, I want to ensure that children of our heroes get a fair chance in life.

**What do you do for them?**

As a Unicef advocate, I go on trips to visit programs all over the country. It is my role to bring issues and issues up in the [illegible] public arena. I've been to [illegible] as well as Gen San and most recently in the ARMM Maguindanao. I also do fundraising activities for Unicef Philippines.

[I brought] awareness and public attention to the importance of exclusively breast-feeding newborns up until 6 months, and extended breast-feeding until 2 years. [I also] advocated the health benefits and life-saving aspect of exclusive breast-feeding especially in times of emergency.

[I raised] approximately P1.5 million in a 10-day online auction of art and design which I founded and curated. This is the Auction for Action. I plan to organize another auction next year. My goal is P3 million; this can be realized with the support of world-renowned artists and designers like Kenneth Cobonpue, Ramon Orlina and many more.

[I also] raised funds and awareness about Severe Acute Malnutrition in Maguindanao. Only P600 per month can save the lives of many children suffering from severe acute malnutrition.

[For] Hero Foundation, [I help] raise funds.

**How can a noncelebrity help make the world a better place?**

You don't have to be a celebrity to make a difference. Start at home—with children. Teach and encourage kindness. It will lead to a life of understanding, generosity and eventually "world peace." Seriously. Also be involved in your own community, your own neighborhood. Care about your sidewalk and public spaces. Make your own community a better place. Charity really does start at home.

For more information on Unicef, check out unicef.org/philippines.

For more information on the Hero Foundation, check out herofoundationinc.com.

## MARC NELSON

THIS hunky guy has a big heart—he is the national ambassador for the World Wide Fund (WWF) for Nature and is also active with World Vision, Hand On Manila, and Oxfam.

**How did you end up supporting your chosen charities?**

I've always been concerned about the environment so when WWF approached us, I was quick to agree. I've always been a big fan of their environmental and community work not just in the Philippines but around the world. With World Vision, it started with me sponsoring two kids from one of their booths and [it] snowballed from there.

**What do you do for them?**

For WWF I am an ambassador, but more importantly [I] try to help create more awareness about what WWF does here in the Philippines. Rovilson Fernandez (fellow ambassador) and I are also active with the WWF education programs in schools, etc., which is always fun. I'm amazed how much the kids remember after our environmental education programs!

For World Vision I help drum up support and sponsors for them, as well as sponsoring 11 kids at the moment. I add two more every Christmas so will be up to 13 sponsored children [this] month.

**How can a noncelebrity help make the world a better place?**

I think a noncelebrity can do a lot. I am in a position to

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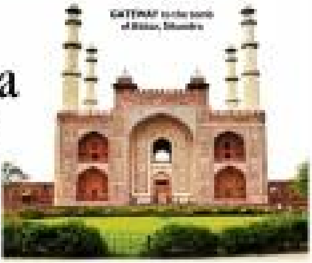
# Immortalizing the beautiful, the beloved and the great in Agra

By Ria S.E. Arenas-Angel
Contributor

I HAD been meaning to visit Agra not for romantic but rather for a historic 43rd birthday. Away from home, from my husband and son, family and friends, it is once again, one of my sporadic, if not spontaneous forays at solo traveling. I have intended to leave New Delhi early dawn so I can be in Taj Mahal early morning and take many pictures of the marvel at sunrise, as my young Indian friends have suggested.

My spiritual adviser, Fr. George, [illegible] back from [illegible] to [illegible] junior vicar of the Archdiocese of Delhi, advises me against going to Agra alone, much more as [illegible] for safety reasons. So instead of the Agra tour, I settle in Delhi and have some friends in Delhi come over—Sarah and Pierre from France, Carlos and Isabel from Spain and Michelle originally from Oklahoma but worked as a volunteer for maternal and child health care in my hometown in Davao and now stationed in Bihar to partake of my birthday breakfast of puffed paratha and bananas prepared by my New Delhi host's daughter, Monal.

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GATEWAY to the tomb of Akbar, Sikandra





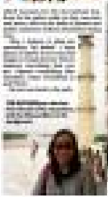

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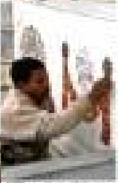








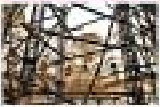






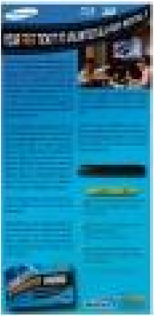




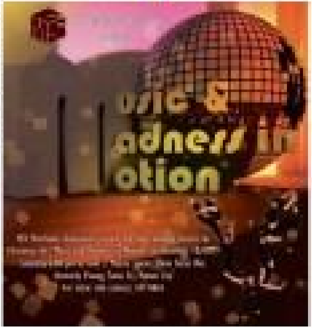











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# 'In Sierra Leone, the real diamonds are the people'

By Nikki Luna
Contributor

An artist shares her photo diary of 336 hours spent holding art workshops for women and children in the once war-torn, struggling African nation





FREETOWN is the capital and largest city of Sierra Leone. Its main beach, Lumley, is admirable; it has beautiful sunset with crashing waves.



**SHARING** art and advocacy: my first 48 hours

I kept mum about my Sierra Leone trip. It wasn't easy explaining to the people you love why you have to travel to a once war-torn country to help when your own country is also in need. But it was a simple rationale for me—humanity over nationality. My intention was to reach out through art to the women and youth victims of armed conflict and human rights violations. If I do so in my country, why not in Sierra Leone?

THE art activities focused on giving value to themselves as women and as individuals who can contribute to their communities and society. We used materials that were easily found in the area. They were discarded items such as bottles, cardboard boxes, jars, etc.







MOST of the days were gloomy since it was the rainy season. This is Kamayama, one of the poorest communities in Freetown. No water, no electricity, and no clinic or hospitals. A daily trek for most women and children.



I FLEW on Aug. 6, 2011. It was a grueling 25-hour flight from Manila to Hong Kong, Paris, and Conakry (Lungi), Sierra Leone. After haggling with customs officials, a car ride, and a ferry ride, I found myself in Freetown, Sierra Leone!



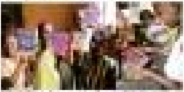
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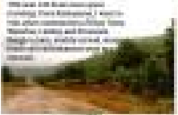
I meet the beautiful women of Kamayama. A mix of old and young, wives, teachers, daughters of chiefs, father-folk, students, vendors, tie-dye makers, widowed. They were also victims of the 1991 Civil War

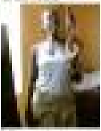
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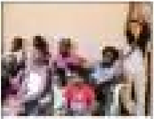
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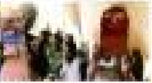






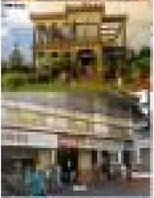






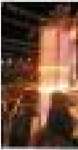








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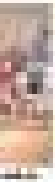
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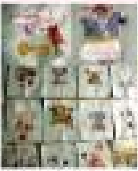








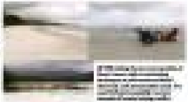














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## I was a balloon handler at Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade



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FIRST year as a balloon handler in 2007

# Tales of a balloon boy



WITH my bloodjabs

By Peter Bandrik
Contributor

GROWING UP, I could not imagine a holiday bigger than Christmas. Then I moved to the United States and gained a new holiday—Thanksgiving.

Celebrated every third Thursday of November, Thanksgiving is the official start of the holiday season. It was unfamiliar yet and similar, festive and celebrated. It involves a lot of eating (and gorging on turkey) and when you think about it, it almost sounds like a typical Filipino gathering. It is an ode to gratitude and the harvest season where family and friends celebrate and gather around to give thanks to one another.

Thanksgiving for me is celebrating the people I love and care about. It's being thankful for my family, friends and for everyone who made a difference in my life. It's for people who make us feel special, who loved and love us, even for difficult people who challenge us. It's about wonderful shared experiences and creating more beautiful memories, it's about being thankful for all the affirmations and love.

### Excuse to shop

For some people, it's an excuse to shop. Black Friday is retailer heaven. They lure shoppers with their must-have goods of the season. Stores open as early as midnight with people camping out to take part in the madness. Everything is ridiculously discounted during this unofficial holiday. But this phenomenon hasn't really appealed to me and I'd like it to stay that way.

In New York City, Thanksgiving would not be complete without the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. Giant balloons, dozens of celebrities on floats, hundreds of volunteers and millions of spectators gather for this event. This tradition has been a staple for over eight decades. Unfortunately, it's been turned into an advertising machine. The original balloons that made it a spectacle are now dwarfed by corporate mascots. Despite this, its goal remains the

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# Shangri-La bags Asia CEO Awards

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## Christmas in the city

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## Holiday indulgence at Crowne Plaza



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## Putting a Pinoy Twist into the holiday fare

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# Experience holiday bliss at Richmonde

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# Christmas starts at Century Park

CENTURY Park Hotel has officially launched its Christmas season this with the lighting of the 35-foot Christmas tree in the Atrium Lounge. The simple event signified the beginning of the yuletide season in the hotel. Dubbed "Wonderful Colors of Christmas," the hotel shares this season of hope to all with warm blue and glow that will give the brightest of colors to your Christmas memories that will forever be cherished.

All food and beverage outlets will celebrate and share the wonderful colors of the Yuletide season through its holiday promos and events. At the Café in the Park, indulge in a special buffet spread consisting a vast array of appetizers, salads, sides, flavorful entrees, succulent slow-roasted US prime beef and delicious desserts to be enjoyed by your whole family and friends for only P1,075 net per adult, half the price for kids aged 7 to 12, and free for kids aged 6 below.

Visually impaired but musically talented young children and adults of the internationally acclaimed group Ambassadors of Light Foundation choir will share with their inspiring Christmas carols and melodies at the Atrium Lounge on Dec. 3, 4, 10, 11, 17 and 18.

With the numerous events lined up, Century Park Hotel hopes to deliver the essence of a truly wonderful and colorful Filipino Christmas spirit in its own special way. Friends, families and associates can expect a celebration both reassuringly familiar and excitingly new and exciting.

For more information, contact 528-8888 or e-mail information@century-park.com.ph. Century Park Hotel is owned and operated by Manuson Hotels and Resort Corp.

## Discover a taste of green gourmet

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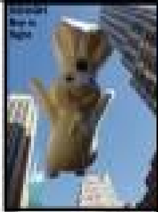
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# Tales of a balloon boy

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ance—to bring delight to the spectators.

In case you're interested to view it in person, planning usually takes to a year, especially when you want to be in the comforts of a hotel room along the route. For people who can't afford that luxury, they stay in and watch it on TV or brave the crowd and wait along the route. Ideally, you need to be there a couple of hours before it starts to get a decent spot. As for me, I haven't actually seen the parade—because I'm part of the parade.



PILLSBURY Dough Boy



KERMIT the Frog



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SAILOR Mickey

## Balloon handler

For four years now, I've been volunteering as a balloon handler for the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. My good friend Harry, a seasoned balloon captain, recruited me and my friends. It was an opportunity that used to be offered only to Macy's employees but they recently opened it to friends and family.

Training to be a handler is no joke. You have to be a certain weight and a certain height, or else the balloon would carry you away and they don't want that to happen. After a day of training, you're almost certified to be in the parade. Balloon assignments are random, but you don't have a say where you would be. My first year was with Sponge Bob and for the remainder, we were with the Pillsbury Doughboy.

Preparations for parade start the night before, with balloon inflation around the Natural History Museum by Central Park West. Come parade day, we're up by 3 a.m. and at the New Yorker Hotel by 5:30 a.m. to get in gear. By this time, hundreds of volunteers are eager and ready to get the show started. It takes about an hour to get where you need to be, get fitted in uniform and costume and be loaded on a bus that takes you to the site. Despite being sleep-deprived, it's very cool to see what goes on behind the scenes. It's chaotic yet everybody is in high spirits. At 7 a.m., handlers are rallied and given a pep talk by their captains and pilots. You are given one last chance for a bathroom break at 8 a.m. and then you take your place under the balloon (it's first come first served). At 9 a.m., balloons join the parade and for three hours, they delight everyone who have gathered for the event. Once you're in the parade, you can see that everybody is cheering. The crowd's anticipation is palpable, especially the looks on the kids' faces. They gasp and clap for their favorite balloons. It goes on for over 50 blocks but because of adrenaline, it goes by so quickly. It's an amazing rush!

## TV moment

The first couple of years we were all about being on TV. But that never happened; none of our friends ever saw us on their small screens. But it finally happened this year—after I gave up on the idea. Our TV moment came after they showed our balloon. They panned the camera toward the handlers and there I was, shamelessly waving to the crowd and the camera. My phone went crazy after. Friends were ecstatic to see us on—even those who are in Manila.

It was truly gratifying to be part of a NYC tradition. To experience the parade from a different perspective is something worth reliving every year. I will surely be part of it for as long as I can.



# The Wonka Imaginarium

FROM Dec. 1 to 4, a different kind of world comes to life as Candy Corner, in partnership with Wonka, opens the doors of an enchanted factory that harvests dreams and turns them into candies—the Wonka Imaginarium.

A four-day exhibit that puts the spotlight on Wonka candies, the Wonka Imaginarium allows everyone to bring their candy fantasies to life. Here, you'll be able to walk into a magical forest with giant bugs and talking trees; enter a tunnel of lost wishes and forgotten dreams; fly and fall from the sky; and learn magic straight from a witch all to find the rainbow: the dream that makes the happiest of all candies.

"The Wonka Imaginarium is the first of its kind in the Philippines, and we're happy to be doing this in time for the holiday season," shares Ricky Andrey, President of Candy Corner Philippines. "More than just giving everyone a chance to get to know more about Wonka candies, our main goal is to give people of all ages a great avenue to feed their imaginations and to find a different, unique activity for the whole family to share this Christmas."

A candy brand that uses licensed materials from Roald Dahl's Charlie & the Chocolate Factory and its two movie adaptations, Wonka's distinct packaging and colorful taste has propelled it to become Candy Corner's flagship brand.

"These are quality candies that have found their way into the hearts of many Filipinos," adds Ricky. "Many of our best sellers such as Nerds and Pixy Stix are actually products of the brand, and that's why we're very proud to be distributing their candies here in the country."

The first outlet in the Philippines to combine traditional packaged and novelty sweets with the concept of having customers choose and combine their own selections of treats, Candy Corner has, over the years, consistently provided chocolates and candies to satisfy the local demand for international confectionery brands. Since its humble beginnings at a lone store in 1996, the company over the years has expanded immensely, and currently has branches across the country.




WONKA candies

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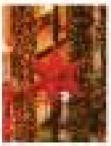

# Lessons a Doberman taught me






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# Give back online

**These sites make it easy for you to share to your cause of choice**

By Tenn Tiong
Contributor

THE SEASON for giving is upon us once again, and here are sites you should check out to help you pay it forward, and hopefully turn the sharing into a year-long affair.

### Ten Moves!

http://tenmoves.org

Who they are: TEN (The Entire Nation) Moves! aims to gather donations to build 10,000 classrooms in public schools in the country by trying to pool together 2 million people to donate P10 a day for 10 months (P300 a month or P3,000 total). Donations from Filipinos based overseas are also welcome.

How you can give: TEN Moves! accepts payments through bank deposits or G-Cash. They also encourage you to solicit donations from friends, relatives and coworkers, and corporate offices can also sponsor them as their charity of choice.




Unkill your love. Adopt a pet.





Your P10 a day donation can help educate a child.

### World Wildlife Fund

http://www.wwf.org.ph

Who they are: More than just a cute panda logo, this conservation organization aims to preserve our natural resources, focusing on species and habitats, which in turn help preserve the lifestyle of the people dependent on those natural resources.

How you can give: WWF accepts donations via their website (you can opt for a one-time donation or a recurring membership), but if you want to give more than cash, they also accept your time and effort as they are always in need of volunteers to spread their message.

### Virlanie

http://www.virlanie.org

Who they are: Virlanie has twelve homes and twelve programs targeted towards street children and helps them become self reliant through a family-based system. Virlanie gives the children chances for education, teaches women crafts and helps reunite street children with their families.

How you can give: Virlanie accepts donations via bank deposit, G-Cash. They also accept donations in kind, and have sponsorship programs for those wishing for long-term philanthropy.

### Takbo.ph

http://www.takbo.ph

Who they are: While not exactly a charitable organization, Takbo.ph's updated list of running events provides running enthusiasts a charitable outlet for their marathon moments. Participate in runs for causes, like Earth Run, where a part of the proceeds will be donated to Greenpeace, or Philippine Red Cross' Million Volunteer Run or the Philippine Rice Research Institute's Run 4 Rice, where proceeds go to victims of recent typhoons.

How you can give: Visit the site for a list of running events and choose one to suit your cause.

### Action Against Hunger

http://www.actionagainsthunger.org

Who they are: Action Against Hunger is a global organization whose goal is to end world hunger, saving malnourished children and giving communities access to clean water and long-term hunger solutions.

How you can give: The site accepts donations, and they are open to volunteers creating fundraising events.

### Cara Welfare Philippines

http://caraphil.org

Who they are: Those with a soft spot for beloved cats and dogs will want to check out Cara (Compassion And Responsibility For Animals), whose aim is to help reduce overpopulation of strays via their spay/neuter programs and providing homes for abandoned pets through adoption.

How you can give: Cara relies solely on private donations, and they accept cash and items, like cat and dog food. Cat lovers will want to check out Cabco Club, a sustained donation program to help keep Cara and their mission alive.

### Philippine Red Cross

http://www.redcross.org.ph

Who they are: Philippine Red Cross' name is synonymous to aid, first responders in any calamity or wherever help is needed.

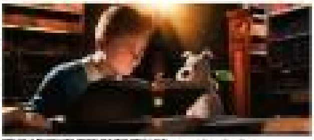
How you can give: The website accepts cash donations and blood—well, the details on how to donate, at least. Volunteers are also welcome.

Editor Nestor U. Torre • Assistant Editor
SATURDAY Special

# Action-packed animation stays true to 'Tintin's' spirit

By Nestor Torre

YOU DON'T have to be a Tintin comic book fan to enjoy "The Adventures of Tintin: The Secret of the Unicorn," Steven Spielberg's cinematic take on the beloved Belgian series by Hergé. But, if you are familiar with the eponymous hero, his loyal dog Snowy, the salty Captain Haddock, and the rest of the motley crew, you'll be able to appreciate the fact that Spielberg and his team have stayed true to the spirit of the series.



"THE ADVENTURES OF TINTIN." Eye-popping visuals

## Missing Elvira, Pilita, Mari, Noel and Subas








# FANS' DAY Bring back our much-admired veteran actresses, please



CONCEPCION. Deserves a better man.

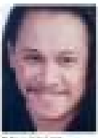
By Andy Bais

### Glitter

E-mail: fansday@yahoo.com

# Fun reunions for 'Magsi' alumni

By Nestor U. Torre



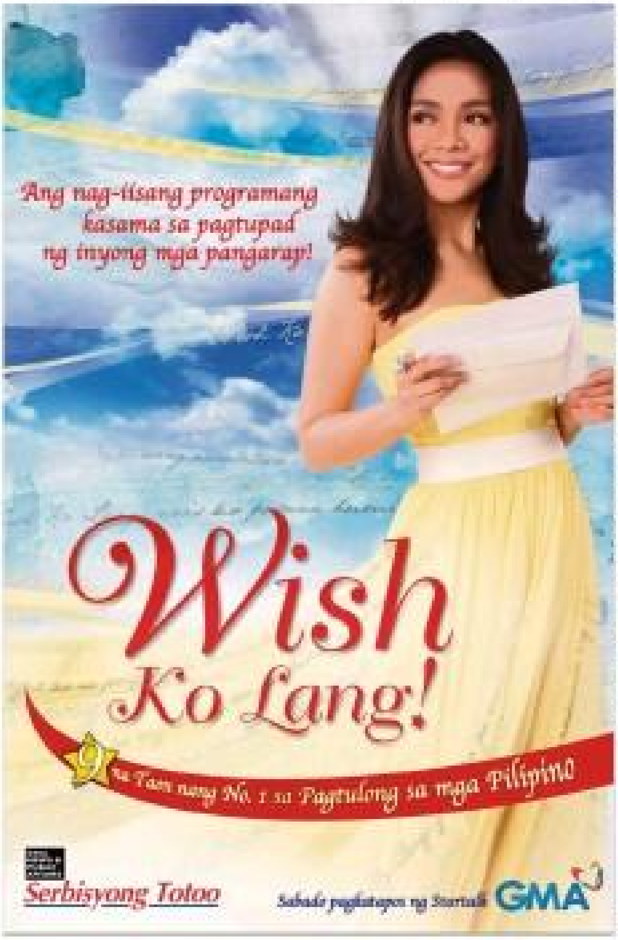
DELA TORRE. Gearing up for comeback comedy project.



### Stalwarts

### Short break

### Process




# Missing Elvira . . .

From page H1



CORRALES: Her show provided enjoyable musical numbers without the use of today's fancy equipment.

### Pilita Corrales

### Jose Mari Velez



HERBOSO AND TRINIDAD: Didn't underestimate the intelligence of their audience.

# FORUM What movie has had the most significant impact on your life?

Single mom

Opportunities



Inspirations

# Maya, Mico and the unwanted . . .

Strange dream

Deep breath

## *Missing Elvira* . . .



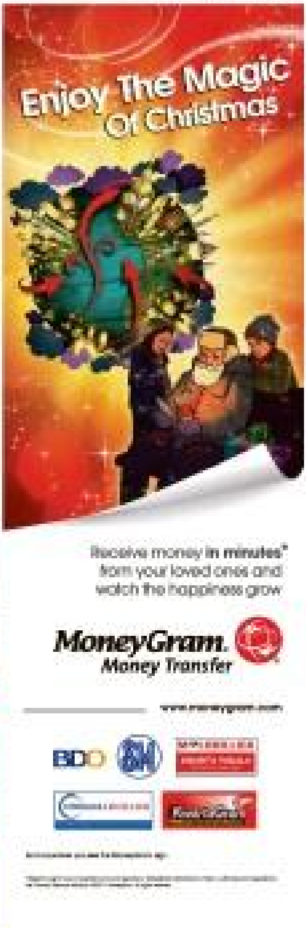







YULETIDE STORY FOR YOUNG READERS

# Maya, Mico and the unwanted CHRISTMAS child




## Sour face

## Mystery

# SATURDAY Special

NOW SHOWING

## Magic wears off in Sarah and Gerald's second screen date



## Deal of the decade



## Eugene Domingo was 'maid' to be a star



## Child-safe TV programs and Makabata stars to be honored on Dec. 8







GO (seated right), with the Ambassadors of Light.

# Deal of the decade

# Seeing with their hearts

STREET SMART



Mandy Navasero

### Training






# Meaningful milestones



### Procession

### Agnes de Guzman

## Magic wears off in Sarah . . .

### Maturity

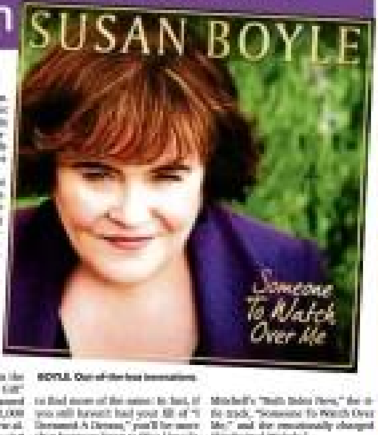
## Eugene Domingo was 'maid' . . .

## Deal of the decade

# SATURDAY Special



# More of the same from Susan Boyle




BOYLE. Out-of-the-box innovations.

### Strangely appealing

### Edgier vocals



ANDERSON. Less is more, indeed.

QUIRINO. Beginner's luck.

CASTRO. Back where he belongs.

# Group bug

### All-star cast



# 'Tisoy': From stage to screen

[illegible]



## Minor roles

[illegible]

## Kissing scene

[illegible]



# From screen moppet . . .

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## Contract

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# Group hug

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## Revelations

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TITA DURAN

# From screen moppet to versatile actress

By Lynn E. Pareja



DURAN. Harrowing experience during the war.

Bleeding arm

NEXT SCREEN 2

# ‘Beast of Broadway’ is more ‘colonially’ corrosive than ever




“IMPORTED” productions perpetuate old cliché that “foreign” is better than “local.”

## Potential

# SATURDAY Special

## Jessica Chastain on nudity, Al Pacino and her phenomenal year

ONLY IN HOLLYWOOD



Ruben V. Nepales

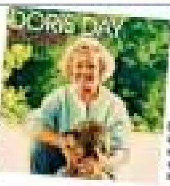
She has the kind of face that can easily morph into different characters



CHASTAIN. Portrays Princess Diana in upcoming film.

Important figure

## Doris Day returns after 17-year hiatus



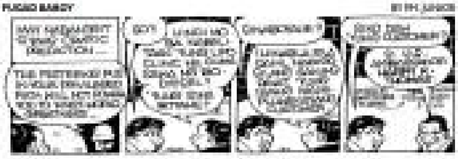
GARFIELD — BY JIM DAVIS



A. LIPIN — BY JESS ABRERA

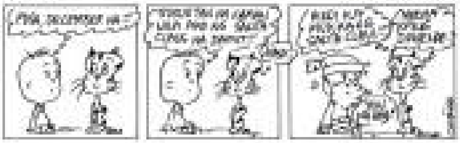



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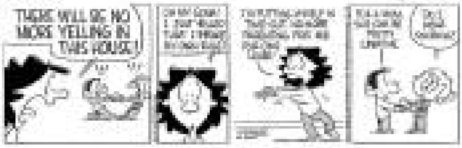


DICK TRACY — BY JOE STATON AND MIKE CURTIS



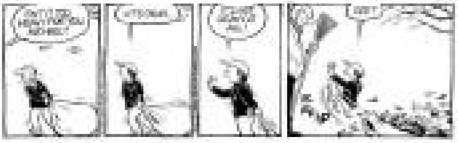


BABY BLUES — BY JERRY SCOTT

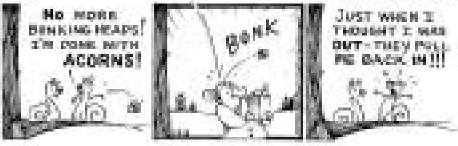




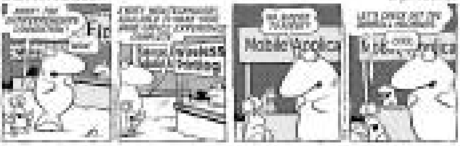

BEN — BY DANIEL SHELTON



MUTTS — BY PATRICK MCDONNELL




SHERMAN'S LAGOON — BY JIM TOOMEY



DUSTIN — BY STEVE KELLEY AND JEFF PARKER





## HOROSCOPE

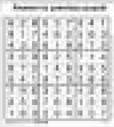
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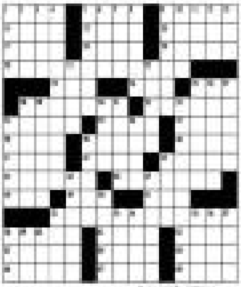
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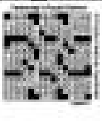
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## CROSSWORD PUZZLE





# My formative years in theater brought enriching experiences





### Props

# Doris Day

### Bittersweet tune

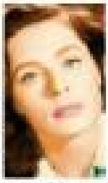
# New roles for Sharon Stone



STONE: Uses the Internet for her advocacy.

### Veterans

# Swedish . . .



LINDFORS: As adept onstage as she was onscreen.

### Stage plays

### Lovely

# 'Magnificat' at Ateneo grade school



### Movies on TV

### Richard Marx

### James Bond films



# Filipino films screened in UAE festival

# Power and its consequences

LOTUS POND
*E. Valencia and S. Bismark*

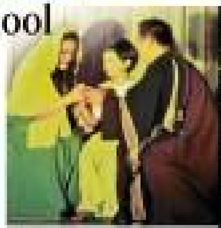
### Better person

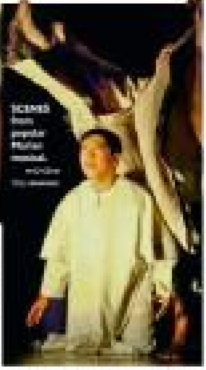
# Jessica Chastain on nudity, Al Pacino . . .

### Apocalyptic visions

# 'Magnificat' at Ateneo grade school

MONTAGE





SCENES from popular Marian musical.

### 'TV Patrol Weekend'

### Centris Walk at Eton Circle

### Yuletide specials on Nickelodeon

# Swedish beauties dazzled Hollywood



BERGMAN: Tall, regal and inspiration

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BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

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The PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF LA UNION, through its Bids and Awards Committee (BAC), invites suppliers/manufacturers/distributors/contractors to apply for eligibility and to bid for the hereunder contract:

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| 1 UNIT GENERATOR SET | [illegible] District Hospital | Specifications: [illegible] | [illegible] | 120 days |

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| 2. Pre-Bid Conference | [illegible] |
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Republic of the Philippines
Department of Transportation and Communications
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### NOTICE OF APPLICATION

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## PNOC EXPLORATION CORPORATION

Building 1, Energy Center, Merritt Road
Fort Bonifacio, Taguig, Metro Manila

### NOTICE OF NEGOTIATED PROCUREMENT

(Two Failed Biddings)

PNOC Exploration Corporation (PNOC EC), through its 2011 Corporate Budget intends to apply the sum of Six Million Pesos (Php6,000,000.00), inclusive of all applicable taxes and other charges, being the Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC) to payments under the contract for the Supply and Delivery of Well Engineering Software. Financial proposals received in excess of the ABC shall be automatically rejected.

PNOC EC now invites proposals for the Supply and delivery of Well Engineering Software (please see attached Terms of Reference for complete details of the Project).

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For further information, please contact:

PNOC EC Procurement Section
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Bldg. 1 Energy Center, Merritt Road
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(Sgd.) CANDIDO M. MAGSOMBOL
Chairman
Bids and Awards Committee

## ILOCOS NORTE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

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Republic of the Philippines
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## Orientation for PCOMS training program set Dec 14





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## ERRATUM

In the IBR invitation to bid advertisement that came out in this newspaper on November 26, 2011, the Delivery Schedule of Public Bidding No. 2012-013 should be **Thirty (30) calendar days from receipt of Notice to Proceed**, and not as published.

## ILOCOS NORTE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

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# OBITUARIES

## DEATH NOTICE

### LUCIO P. ANDAL

*Peacefully died on November 29, 2011 at the age of 75.*

Interment will be on December 3, 2011, 2pm at Bauan Catholic Cemetery, Batangas after the mass at St. James the Greater Parish, Bauan Catholic Church, Batangas.

## Atty. Simplicio "Piclong" B. Domingo, Jr.

Former ASSEMBLYMAN & CONGRESSMAN
of the 2nd District of Isabela
February 11, 1934 – December 1, 2011

*Was peacefully joined our CREATOR on December 1, 2011 at the age of 77.*

His remains lie at ST. PETER CHAPEL – Commonwealth Avenue, Quezon City until December 4, 2011 (5:00 p.m. only) and thereafter at RAMOS FUNERAL PARLOR in Bagan, Isabela on December 5, 2011 until December 6, 2011 (8:00 a.m. only).

Interment will be on December 6, 2011, 10:00 a.m., at Cabatuan Cemetery, Burgos, Isabela.

The DOMINGO FAMILY wishes to express heartfelt gratitude and sincere appreciation to all who cared and manifested their sympathy and who in countless ways CONDOLED with and somehow comforted us in our hour of bereavement.

THANK YOU SO MUCH!

Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.
**Matthew 10:39**

## GERONIMO "TATANG GERRY" J. MANZANO

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## LUCIANO "FRED" C. CASTELO, 86

*Died in the Grace of our Lord on 29 November 2011*

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